

late in Jan 1779

Capt Colonel George Rogers Clark & 200  
men marched 200 miles to Vincennes  
over swamps & flooded rivers. At Kaskaskia  
he got help & flag but only 130 men proceeded  
near Vincennes they found a dry spot.  
They tied 20 flags to 20 trees to make it  
look like there were many men.  
They attacked at night whooping,  
screaming, attacking from all sides. The  
British thought they were surrounded

by a large army. Their commander - Colonel  
Hamilton surrendered the next day.

After the war Clark went back to  
Kentucky to live.

Sept 23, 1779

The Ranger went back home & Jones had to wait for another ship, Finally the French gave him one of their old warships. He named it the Bon Homme Richard. On Sept 23, 1779, He fought a great battle with the British warship "SERAPIS." Fought by moonlight, lasted more than 3 hrs. The Serapis knocked out the guns of the RICHARD but Jones swung alongside the Serapis & fastened the 2 ships together. But the Bon Homme Richard was

sinking. The men fought hand to hand  
Hundreds were killed or wounded. Both ships  
were on fire. At last the British surrendered  
The Ben Homme Richard was so badly damaged  
the men moved to the Serapis. The Richard  
sank the next day. Capt. Jones sailed back to  
France in the Serapis. He was given high  
honors but the war ended before another  
ship. He had captured over 300 British ships

About 1781

Thomas Jefferson became Governor of Virginia.

There were few soldiers left in Virginia to protect it against the British. They moved & burned what they wanted.

The British almost captured Jefferson at Monticello